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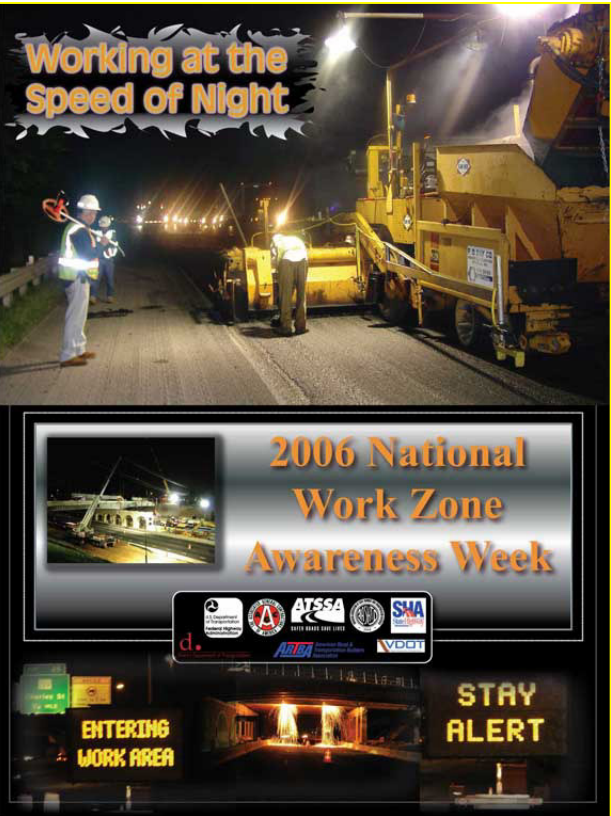
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April 3—9 National Work Zone Awareness Week

"IN WORK ZONES EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED!!"

With nearly 50% increase in work zone fatalities between 1997 and 2004, work zone safety is a growing roadway safety concern. In 2005, 284 crashes took place in the construction zones along Montana roadways with four fatalities and 127 persons injured, according to Montana Highway Patrol records. Based on national records for 2004, there is one work zone fatality every 8.2 hours and one work zone injury every 9 minutes.

Everyone should take responsibility for work zone safety.

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MDT DBE Goal Participation

FY 2006 DBE Program Goal = 5.11%

For MDT March 2006 Highway Construction Bid Letting, the following contractor achieved DBE participation over the DBE program goal.

WAY TO GO!

Century Companies, Inc.

STPP 81-1(15)36 JCT US 191 - West 8.99%

MONTANA DBE COMPANY MONTHLY UPDATE

No activity to report this newsletter.

Montana Citizen Advocate Office

The Montana Citizen Advocate Office will work on behalf of all Montanans in dealing with state executive branch agencies. Folks often need a little direction navigating the often complex statutory and regulatory

environment of state government. The office will advocate on behalf of Montanans and offer direction and assistance.

Call 800-332-2272 or 406-444-3468 or by e-mail at citizenadvocate@mt.gov

Awarded Projects as of April 10, 2006

DBE participation as shown on the Statement of Participation (SOP)

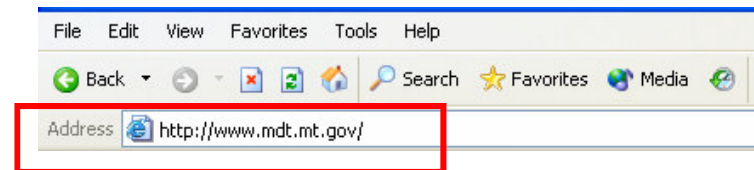
Project Number	Prime Contractor	Low \$ Bid Amount	DBE Participation	
			\$ Amount	%
NH 5-2(121)27 South of Ravalli - Medicine Tree	M.A. Deatley Construction, Inc.	\$ 19,981,444.96		
NH 5-2(128)28 US 93 Visitor/Interpretive Center				
NH 5-2(122)31 Medicine Tree - Vic Red Horn Rd	Schellinger Construction Co.	\$ 18,129,388.77		
IM 90-1(142)2 St Regis - East & West (Structures)	NO BIDDERS ON THIS PROJECT			
BR-IM 1010(2) West Billings - King Ave Bridges	Sletten Construction Co.	\$ 12,386,373.16	\$ 12,522.00	0.10%
STPP 78-1(13)6 NW of Red Lodge - NW	Riverside Contracting, Inc.	\$ 1,701,921.15		
BR 9024(19) Swan River - 3 KM SE of Ferndale	Frontier West, LLC	\$ 1,502,436.30	\$ 37,001.00	2.46%
IM 15-8(62)380 Sunburst - South STPP 67-1(5)0 Shelby - North	NOT AWARDED			
STPS 464-1(10)13 N of Browning - North	Schellinger Construction Co.	\$ 1,164,822.00		
STPP 81-1(15)36 JCT US 191 - West	Century Companies, Inc.	\$ 919,728.10	\$ 82,688.00	8.99%
NH 50-2(48)76 Pedestrian Tunnel - Gallatin Gateway	A. M. Welles, Inc.	\$ 625,792.90	\$ 31,808.25	5.08%
IM 90-3(90)195 Interstate Fence - East of Galen	Menard Construction, Inc.	\$ 80,573.40		
Total of all Federal-aid Projects for March 30, 2006 MDT Bid Letting		\$ 56,492,480.74	\$ 164,019.25	0.29%

Navigating MDT's Website ! Continued

1. First, click on your Internet Explorer icon



2. Type www.mdt.mt.gov in the address box and press Enter.

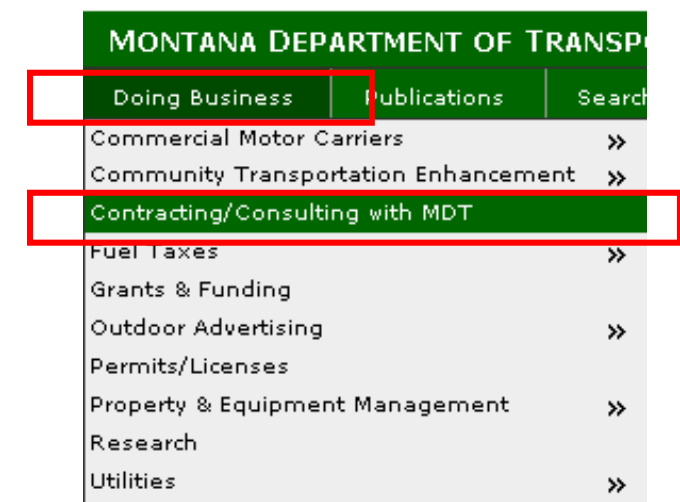


3. MDT's home page will appear



4. Click on **DOING BUSINESS**, then click on

CONTRACTING/CONSULTING WITH MDT



5. Click on **DBE** under **CIVIL RIGHTS PROGRAMS**, then click on "How to Navigate MDT's website" under the

Disadvantage

Business Enterprise (DBE) Supportive Services Program heading.

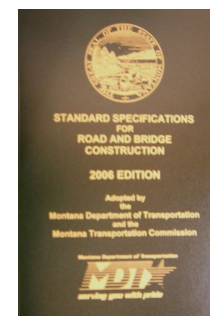


INVITATION FOR BIDS LETTING OF APRIL 27, 2006

Sealed bids on the following projects will be received by the Montana Department of Transportation-Highways Division, Contract Plans Bureau, Room 101, 2701 Prospect, Helena, Montana until 9:00 a.m. on April 27, 2006 the bids being publicly opened and read thereafter at 10:00 a.m. in the Department's auditorium. Bid proposals, plans, cross-sections, dirt runs & erosion control plans if available, and full instructions to bidders are on file for examination and may be obtained from the Contract Plans Bureau. These documents may be requested by FAX (406)444-7236, (see enclosed order form) by mail or by calling (406)444-6216, 6212, 6215 or TTY 444-7696. The Disadvantaged Business Enterprises' contract goal for all projects listed below is 0.0%.

- 1. WEST OF BUSBY – WEST, NH 37-1(29)19, BUSBY – EAST & WEST, NH 37-1(34)22, JCT SEC – 418 – WEST, STPS 416-1(12).** NH 37-1(29)19 - Overlay, seal & cover, guardrail, and pavement markings. The project is located within the Crow Indian Reservation. NH 37-1(34)22 - Overlay, seal & cover, guardrail, and pavement markings. The project is located within the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation. STPS 416-1(12)9 - Plant mix surfacing and seal & cover. The project is located within the Crow Indian Reservation. **MANDATORY PRE-BID CONFERENCE.**
- 2. 3RD ST NW – GREAT FALLS, NH 101-1(2)0, 57TH – 2ND AVE NO/10TH AVE SO – GREAT FALLS, NH 102-1(2)8, SIDEWALKS – GREAT FALLS, CM 5299(60).** Plant mix overlay, seal & cover, pavement markings, and sidewalks, curb/gutters, signing and utility adjustments.
- 3. GREAT FALLS – VAUGHN, IM 15-5(112)282, PONDERA COUNTY LINE – SOUTH, IM 15-7(31)343,** IM 15-5(112)282 - Seal and cover, pavement markings and delineation.
- 4. 6TH ST NW-16TH TO SMELTER-GREAT FALLS, STPU 5201(16),** Grading, gravel surfacing, plant mix bituminous surfacing, seal and cover, storm drain and improvement.
- 5. 10TH ST N - GREAT FALLS, NH 104-1(2)1,** Cold milling, plant mix overlay, seal & cover, pavement markings and electrical work.
- 6. SPRINKLER-HARRISON INTCH-BUTTE, IM 15-2(86)128,** Irrigation system, water well, sodding and electrical.
- 7. 2001-TURN BAY-E OF TOWNSEND, STPHS 14-1(19)2,** Grading, gravel, PMBS, gabion wall, seal & cover, drainage, seed, signing, electrical and striping.
- 8. 2001-ELECTRICAL-JCT SEC-227, STPHS 60-2(68)87,** New flashing beacons.
- 9. ST. REGIS - EAST & WEST (STRUCTURES, IM 90-1(142)2,** Rehabilitation of bridge decks and approaches.

NOW AVAILABLE **2006 STANDARD SPEC BOOK AND 2005 DETAILED DRAWINGS**



The revised Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction book combines two sets of specifications (standard and supplemental) and commonly used special provisions into a single document. This compilation will significantly reduce the size of bid package proposals and contracts as well as reduce the chance for conflicts in

contract language. This version is now included in all construction projects starting with April 2006 bid letting.

The cost of the book is \$10.00 from Contract Plans Office and \$15.00 mailed. Call 406-444-6212 or 406-444-6215 to order a copy.

Find the 2006 Standard Specifications and 2005 Detailed Drawings documents on MDT's web site at <http://www.mdt.mt.gov/business/contracting.shtml>
Go to Specifications at bottom of left column and click on Standard Specifications or Detailed Drawings.



2005 — 10 Most Violated OSHA Standards

OSHA revealed the 10 most violated OSHA standards for 2005

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| 1. Scaffolding - most cited standard violation 8,130 | 6. Powered Industrial Trucks - 2,871 violations |
| 2. Hazard Communication - 6,641 violations | 7. Electrical (Wiring Methods, Components, Equipment) - 2,785 violations |
| 3. Fall Protection - 5,504 violations | 8. Machine Guarding - 2,743 violations |
| 4. Respiratory Protection - 3,904 violations | 9. Electrical - 2,120 violations |
| 5. Lockout/Tagout - 3,711 violations | 10. Ladders - 2,054 violations |

MT CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES

Manhattan Wastewater Treatment Plant, Bid Date: May 5, 2006, Construction of treatment plant including access road, sewer main extension, and additional items. Stahly Engineering 406-442-8594

Bridge Abutment Repairs, Missoula County, Bid Date: May 2, 2006, Whitaker Bridge crossing the Blackfoot River 25 miles east of Missoula. BLM Montana, 406-896-5210

Durston Road Reconstruction, North 7th to North 19th, Bozeman, Bid Date: May 2, 2006, Pre Bid Conference. HKM Engineering, 406-586-8834

Leslie Avenue Storm and Water Main Replacement, Helena, Bid Date: April 25, 2006, Installation of 2820 lineal feet of 8-inch ductile iron water main and 2350 lineal feet of 36-inch RCP storm sewer main and includes traffic control, curb & gutter, asphalt surfacing, etc. City of Helena, 406-447-8431

AASF CH-47 ADD/ALT – Phase 2 Helena Regional Airport for MT National Guard, Bid Due Date: April 19, 2006, Schlenker & McKittrick Architects, 406-442-4933

Montana Department of Transportation Purchasing Bid Solicitations,

<http://gsd.mt.gov/OSBS/Results.asp?List=All>

- ▶ **Experimental Striping on MacDonald Pass**, 307945, Bid Date: April 20, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping in the Billings Area**, 307939, Bid Date: April 20, 2006

- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping on the Crow Reservation**, 307946, Bid Date: April 25, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping in the Lewistown Area**, 307940, Bid Date: April 26, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Miles City Area**, 307953, Bid Date: May 2, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Wolf Point Division**, 307954, Bid Date: May 2, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Missoula Area**, 307941, Bid Date: April 27, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Butte Area**, 307944, Bid Date: April 27, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Kalispell Division**, 307957, Bid Date: May 4, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Bozeman Division**, 307958, Bid Date: May 4, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Havre Area**, 307942, Bid Date: May 3, 2006
- ▶ **Epoxy Paint Striping Great Falls Area**, 307943, Bid Date: May 3, 2006
- ▶ **Crack Sealing in Phillipsburg Area**, 307949, Bid Date: April 26, 2006

Remember these photos?

Jim with JCT Construction has the scoop!
It's a lady and her hunting partner on the road south of Grass Range and Double Basin. *Only in Montana!*



Jim said the elk was taken on a horse ranch northwest of Roy. His brother helped put the elk on top of the car using a farm loader and 2 x 10 x 8 planks to protect the roof of the car. What type of car? Jim says it's either a Plymouth Champ or Dodge Colt. Thanks Jim—our curiosity has been satisfied!

MDT Exigency Project Advertisements

Exigency projects are emergency projects that need to be bid quickly and are not processed through the standard monthly bid letting. In general, these projects are advertised under the “*Contracting/Consulting with MDT*” web page at <http://www.mdt.mt.gov/business/contracting.shtml>

Click on Special Notices & Latest Updates. Information describing the exigency projects will be listed along with the bid package #.

Note: A good business practice for a highway construction contractor is to look at the Special Notices & Latest Updates web site weekly if not daily.

Check the date to see if you have read the most current updates.

Knowledge

is power,

*Power is
knowledge...*

Navigating MDT's Website !

1. How do I get to MDT's Website?
2. How do I find Invitation for Bids?
3. Where can I submit questions about projects being let?
4. Where do I submit my Request for Quotes to DBE companies?
5. How do I find Future Projects?
6. Where are the Bid Tabs?

See page 7 to find the answers to these questions and other helpful hints on navigating MDT's website.



Quote of the Month

One of the tests of leadership is the ability to recognize a problem before it becomes an emergency.

Arnold H. Glasow



AGC of America and OSHA present:

Safety Training for the FOCUS FOUR Hazards in the Construction Industry

FREE eight-hour training from the OSHA Susan Harwood Grant held:

- May 4, 2006 in Billings, MT or
- May 5, 2006 in Billings, MT

Focus Four: 1. Falls 2. Electrocutions 3. Struck-by's 4. Caught-in's

The Focus Four hazards account for the greatest number of preventable fatalities in the construction industry. Over the last 11 years, an average of 640 workers was killed despite OSHA standards and special emphasis enforcement programs.

This type of critical information was used to develop this construction safety program on the reduction of accidents by addressing the Focus Four hazards.

Seating is limited, so register early for this **FREE** program and save your spot!

For more information, or to register online, visit www.agc.org/focusfour. Or contact Raj Vohra, vohrar@agc.org or (703) 837-5409.



Falls



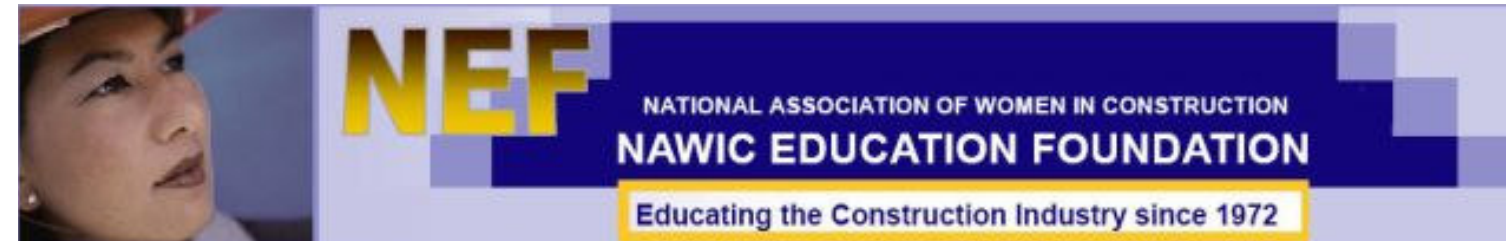
Caught-in-Web



Struck-by's



Electrocutions



Construction Industry Technician Certification Program developed by NAWIC Education Foundation

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Construction is the largest industry in the United States, employing more people than any other single industry. Over the past two decades, the Construction Industry has experienced many technological advances, which have resulted in more cost-effective construction. The introduction of the new technologies created a need for the development of construction education and training programs to help up-grade the skills and knowledge of these employed in the industry.

In its effort to focus on the goal of providing the most up to date educational opportunities, NAWIC Education Foundation has developed the CIT Program, Construction Industry Technician, which incorporated the latest changes in the Industry. The Construction Industry Technician represents an overview of the construction industry and its processes. Lessons to be covered include such subjects as type of construction, forms of business ownership, contractual arrangements, contract documents, and the construction process.

The **Construction Industry Technician** is a self-paced, home study program. Passing an examination at the end of the course establishes mastery of the material and upon successful completion of the program, the participant will receive the **Construction Industry Technician Certifications**. This certification acknowledges the accomplishment of attaining a higher professional level in the construction industry.

Throughout the program of study, it is recommended that the participant use the National Association of Women in Construction's **Construction Dictionary** to aid in the better understanding of the lesson.

An **INSTRUCTOR'S MANUAL** is available with the **Construction Industry Technician** Text. This manual may be used as a personal study guide, or to help format and coordinate a classroom seminar series or course which can be offered to the Construction Industry.

CIT CURRICULUM

TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION covers the various segments of the construction industry, which is composed of residential, commercial, institutional and civil construction.

CONSTRUCTION TRADE ASSOCIATIONS identifies and reviews the differences between construction trade association, professional societies, and institutes that influence the company.

FORMS OF BUSINESS OWNERSHIP describes the different forms of business ownership, and explains the advantages and disadvantages of each type: sole proprietorship, partnerships, and corporations.

CONTRACTUAL ARRANGEMENTS AND CONTRACT AGREEMENTS analyzes the different types of contractual arrangements, as well as the key individuals involved in a construction contract. Further discussion involves the differences between a competitive and negotiated bid, and dissects different types of agreements.

CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT DOCUMENTS explains the components of construction contract documents, and differentiates between different types of working drawings.

THE CONSTRUCTION PROCESS reviews the stages in the construction process, describing the activities involved in each state of the process. Zoning laws, building codes and construction documents required during planning, construction and close-out will also be discussed.

CONSTRUCTION INSURANCE AND BONDING identifies the types of risks involved in construction, and explains the concepts of risk management. Principles and concepts of insurance, bonding and suretyship will be emphasized while identifying the types of business insurance contractors typically obtain.

MDT CONTRACTOR PAYMENT SCHEDULE

West Half of State – Missoula & Butte Districts

**~2-3 days
before
1st of the
month**

MDT & Prime
Contractor agree on
work completed for
payment

**1st of the
month**

MDT Project
Manager
submits
paper work to
District Office

**NEXT 10
days**

MDT District &
Construction
Bureau
processes
payment
information

**Friday
closest to
15th of the
Month**

MDT release
funds for payment

**Next few
working
Days**

MDT mails check
or direct deposit
is made to
Prime
Contractor

**Within 7
Working days**

From receipt date of
payment, Prime
Contractor pays
Subcontractor for
completed work.

MCA 28-2-2103
MT Annotated Code

East Half of State – Great Falls, Glendive & Billings Districts

**~2-3 days
before
15st of the
month**

MDT & Prime
Contractor agree on
work completed for
payment

**15st of each
month**

MDT Project
Manager
submits
paper work to
District Office

**NEXT 10
days**

MDT District &
Construction
Bureau
processes
payment
information

**Friday
closest to
25th of the
Month**

MDT release
funds for payment

**Next few
working
Days**

MDT mails check
or direct deposit
is made to
Prime
Contractor

**Within 7
Working days**

From receipt date of
payment, Prime
Contractor pays
Subcontractor for
completed work.

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